Simon Favre is Samuel g. Favre grandfather FRAZIER

HUSBAND Samuel g. Favre md Elizabeth Frazier
Birth 11 June 1830 Place Mobile, Ala
Church Catholic or Methodist Place don't know
Death Sept. 22, 1904 Place at Ponchatoula, La.
Burial Gainesville, Miss. cemetery Place
Father Augustin Favre Sr. Mother (Maiden Name) ① Eleanore ? Favre
Married Eleanore ? don't know Place ? Hancock county, miss.
Other Wives (if any) ~~[illegible]~~ I know of ② Mary gane ?

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?
By old Favre Bible

WIFE Elizabeth Frazier
Birth Oct. 25, 1835 Place ?
Church Catholic ? think Place ?
Death Dec. 29, 1874 Place ?
Burial Gainesville, Miss. Cemetery Place Gainesville, Miss Hancock co.
Father Charles Frazier Mother (Maiden Name) Anna gane Gaines
Other Hus. (if any)

Name and address of person submitting this sheet:
Mrs. Nell O. Tate
Rt 2 Box 109
Picayune, miss.
39466

MALE OR FEMALE	CHILDREN (Give names in full in order of birth)	WHEN BORN Day Mo. Yr.	WHERE BORN Town County	State or Country	DIED Day Mo. Yr.	MARRIED
	1 Charles A. Favre	10 Dec. 1853	I think 3 in		27 Dec. 1853	Date ~~May 2~~ To never md
	2 Ellen gane Favre	9 May 1855	Mobile, ala.		30 Apr. 1913	Date May 2, 1877 Mobile, ala. To Charlie C. Gray
	3 Samuel L. Favre (11)	~~11~~ Sept. 1857			15 July 1890	Date Sept 5, 1877 ~~4~~ To Mary Nicaise
	4 Baby Favre	14 Sept 1860			14 Sept 1860	Date ~~Oct 4, 1881~~ To never md
	5 G. Beauregard Favre	18 Mar. 1862	Hancock co.		6 Dec. 1925	Date Oct. 4, 1880 To Alice Nicaise Han. Co.
	6 Emma Louise Favre	20 Sept. 1864	"		25 Jan. 1925	Date ~~June 28~~ 1883 April 2 To John Parker
	7 Cora Carolyn Favre	21 Dec. 1867	"		6 Mar. 1905 Ca.	Date June 28, 1882 Han. C To Johnny g. Nicaise
	8 Forrest Portman Favre	29 May 1870	"		27 Dec. 1890	Date To never md
	9 Thomas Monroe Favre	25 July 1872	"		Feb. 1931	Date Oct 10, 1894 To Maggie Nichols Han. Co
	10					Date To
	11					Date

...al Genealogical and Historical Data on Reverse Side

AMERICAN ...
Fort W...

Favre

Picayune, Miss. 39466
March 3, 1978

Dear Mr. Carvin,

I am very much interest in your book, of Carvin-Istvan book. Where I see that you lived in Bay St. Louis, Miss. and were born there. I am also from the Coast went to Bay Hi school, was born at Logtown, Miss. tho. I am connected with the Favre, Nicaise, Bourgeois, Ladnere, and Saucier families. My mother was the dau. of Beauregard Favre, and Alice Nicaise. Does your book contain any of the history of the Favre family, and do you still have any left of the books as I would like to have one very much. My 999 grand daddy was Simon Favre. I have been collecting my Favre family history also. I would be glad to know know anything that you could give me on the family history, will be willing to pay you a reasonable price for the info. I have quite a bit on the family, but need more on the older families. The three brothers who came to Mobile, Ala. from Havre, France. I know of one gean Favre, but need the name of the other 2 brothers, as I was told it was 3 that came over here. Let me know if you have another book, I will send you my check for $7.50 for one of the books. I was born in the yr. of 1911. I am retired. Will appreciate all you can do for me. Thanks,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Nell O. Tate Rt. 2 Box 109, Picayune, Miss. 39466

Picayune, Miss. 39466
March 12 – 1978

Dear Mr. Carvin,

I received your nice letter in mail, a few days or so ago, and really did appreciate it also. I am working on the Favre family, but just started it a couple of yrs. or so. I kinda wait, late in life to start, as all of the old Favre's have died out. I don't have too much time to apply to it either, as I had cataract surgery on both eyes, + have quite a bit of eye trouble, and can't drive much any more either, my husband is in real bad health too, he is going on 73 next Nov. I will be 67 in Sept. I am also heart patient. But I do enjoy it tho when I do find the time to apply myself to it. Was your mother a Bourgeois from Waveland, Miss., as they come into the Favre family also. I do want one of the book of the Bourgeois family also, when you complete it please let me know, + the cost of it. I am enclosing check for the $10.00 for your Blue cover book. I will send you some material on the Favre family of what I have, not too much. I will have to go thru my material + hunt it up. yes Beauregard is son of Samuel G. Favre b. in 1830, d. 1904, his wife was Elizabeth Frazier b. 1835, have several children. Beauregard was m. to Alice Nicaise, my mother Mary Louise Favre was their dau. she m. my daddy Andrew D. Osbourn, they all are dead now tho. you know Picayune isn't too far from Logtown. + Pearlington, Miss. Of course the only thing left at Logtown, is the old cemetery, as nasa taken Logtown over.

The story goes it was 3 brothers who came to this country from Harve or Le Harve, France, to Mobile, Ala. where they own a lot of land in city of Mobile. I just know of one of the Brothers Jean Favre, the cabin boy. It is kinda hard to get the info. Especially with what little time I have to work on it. It is quite a large family of the 3 generation of the 3 brothers. Lot of the older families are buried at Pearlington, Miss. and they don't have grave markers some of the old graves. I can't find my 99 grand daddy grave don't know when he died, he is Augustin Favre, Simon Favre son. Augustin was md. twice and I don't know the wives maiden names. I also have a copy of the old Simon Favre will made in 1812. Do you know the names of the other two brothers of Jean Favre, the cabin boy? I wish you could get enough material on the Favre's to make a book of their family too. The Mare, Mauffray, Kergois, Frogier, Cuevas, Ladner, Nicaise, Curet, Cue, Hart, Gonzales, Travacia, Bourgeois, Moran, and right off hand can't think of all the families that come into the Favre family, Fuente, Koch, Marson, all from the coast of families. I have also a little Nicaise history I will send to you later on. I will close as my eyes are hurting me, they run water, + can't hardly see. Good luck to you in your history hunting.

Sincerely,

Nell O. Tate Rt. 2
Box 109, Picayune, Miss. 39466

Pascagoula, Miss. 39466
April 26, 1978

Dear Mr. Carvin,

I am so sorry waiting so long to write to you, but have been sick. I want to let you know I receive your book, and really have enjoyed it very much too. I hope you will be able to finish the Favre family part also. I am sending you my history part of my great grand daddy Samuel G. Favre + Elizabeth Frazier. I don't have much on the old Favre, Augustin Favre Sr. is Samuel G. Favre daddy, Augustin is Simon Favre son, but I don't know their maiden names, the wives of Augustin the one was Eleanore and 2nd. Mary Jane ? If you find out their maiden names and birthe send it on to be, I will appreciate it very much. Wishing you good luck in your history work.

Yours Truly,
Mrs. Nell O. Tate
Rt. 2 Box 109
Pascagoula, Miss. 39466

ans'd Sept 15

Picayune, Miss. 39466
Aug. 28, 1978

Mr. Ernest a. Carvin
569 Garfield ave.
Belford, N.J. 07718

Dear Mr. Carvin,

I hope you remember me, as I bought one of your little blue book, about the coast, and you don't know how I have enjoyed the book, as so many are my relatives, of course I don't remember them tho, before my Times. But I have really enjoyed finding out about them + their name + the families. I can remember, my mother speaking about some of them, in my Favre family. I sent you my great grand daddy + his family history, quite a few months ago. I never did hear from you tho, if you had receive the material, or not. I hope you did, as I don't have much on the family line, just my grand daddy + my great grand family. I was wondering if you had ever finished page 110 d, as you said in my book it wasn't developed yet. If you have finish any more pages of the families, would you please send them on to me, and say where they go so I can put them in my book. I will pay you for them, what ever you charge for them. Would love to finish out the book, when ever you finish different pages too, and keep the Book for my son, I have only one old bachelor son. my family is small. I hope this will find you + your family, in the best of health.

(over)

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Genealogy & Local History Dept.
Favre Family

Will close for now, hoping to hear from you. Thanks.

yours truly,
Mrs. Nell O. Fate
Rt. 2 Box 109
Picayune, Miss. 39466

{I was from Logtown, Miss.}

Picayune, miss. 39466
March 14, 1979

Dear Mr. Carvin,
I hope you can remember me. I bought one of your little blue book a few months or so ago. I surely would like to have the pages that I didn't get. Some of them wasn't completed at the time you made the book. I will be glad to pay you for what ever they cost. I would have written sooner that I did. But have been unable to write tho. I have been sick since Sept. and just beginning to write some now. I had a light stroke and block clots of the brain. I like to have ~~gone~~ died. Excuse my mistakes please. I am interested in the Favre family, and you had a lot of nice material in your little blue book, that you called it. It was the families of Carvin - Istvan, family. you made it in 1972-73 It also had the Bourgeois Family, Favre, Saucier family and more. Please send the B Pages on to me so I can finish my book, you said that you would mail them on to me. I really did enjoy the book so much. as they all came into my families too. I hope you are well, and in good health. I hope to hear from you real soon so I can finish (over)

the missing pages in my book. I know by now you must have finish your book. My eyes are tired so will have to close for now. The best of luck to you. I will send check for the pages that you didn't have finished. Thanx.

Youre truly,
Mrs. Nell Tate
Rt. 2 Box 109
Picayune, Miss. 39466

I am the girl from Logtown, Miss.

Picayune, miss. 39466
April 10, 1979

Dear Mr. Carvin,

I received your nice letter and was so happy to get the nicle material of my Favre family. you will have to excuse all mistakes, as I am not up to spelling real good yet. But it is coming back to me again, since I had my stroke. I am so sorry that I haven't answer your letter sooner. But I have a case of flue now. How much do you think the nicaise book would cost me, if not too much I may have you to send me one. I would be happy to have you make a book on my line. I wish I could help you out more. But I do forget since the stroke. I am enclosing check for the two dollars + .50 which I owe you. They had a little book that was printed when they had the {W. P. A.} work projects my cousin had one and it was written ~~up~~ up about the Favre coming from Le Harve, France it was put out my the W. P. A. I think the women club printed it. I can't think of the name of it. But they had one at Biloxi, miss. Labrary it was a small book all about the coast tho + the Favre family was also mention in it. This is copied from the Osbourn + Favre family Bibles.

mar.
1. Agnes O. m. ① Smith ② Enos Pearson mar. 29, 1940
4. Nell. m. K. T. Farrell ① Thomas L. Tate ②
5. Ina Bell. m. Marshall Hobgood m. Jan. 26, 1931
7. Edward Lee m. ① Marie Lott m. march 30, 1940
② Clara Margaret Burge

Pierice Nicaise b. d.
m. Elocadie Mauffray b. d
yr. m.
Beauregard Favre b. mar. 18, 1862
Alice Nicaise Favre b. Oct. 29, 1867
yr. m. Oct. 4, 1882 Hancock co. 1880 on her chart

yours truly,
Nell O. Tate
Rt. 2 Box 109
Picayune, miss. 39466

Picayune, Miss. 39466
Apr. 26, 1979

Dear Mr. Carvin,
Received your nice letter, and thank you very much for it. I am feeling some better, but still make a lot of mistakes in my writing. Please excuse them.
my g. g. daddy did come from Pa. I don't know who his sister or brothers were. I will fill you in on ~~what~~ what I have. He was from Philadelphia, Pa. what I have founded out, don't know where he came from before than. He had (2) wife his name was Jeremiah call Jerry Osbourn b. ca. 1816 d. ? but he died at Pearlington, Miss. he had only 1 wife I know of he m. Margaret Crawford b. Jan. 19, 1812, died Jan. 20, 1890. she m. 1 William Porter d — b ? m. Oct. 7, 1835. Margaret had 3 minor children by William Porter before he died. 1 Son Martin Van Buren Porter B. Aug. 11, 1836, d. Oct 20, 1878 (2) d. yellow fever b. Logtown, cem.
2. Susan Porter b. 1838, d. 1908 bur. Logtown cem. nick name (Muddy) 3. William Porter Jr. b. ca. 1840, d. don't know.
Margaret Crawford Porter m 2 hus. Jerry Osbourn they were m. Jan. 23, 1846 at St. Tammany Parish. I have copy of m. Bd. 1, Page 165 St. Tammany Parish
Margaret + Jerry Osbourn had (3) children

or parent

1870 Hay p. 44 283

1. Douglas Saint Osbourn b. mar. 6, 1848 d. nov. 27, 1925 Bur. Logtown cem.

2 James C. Osbourn b. april 13, 1850, d. march 29, 1912 Bur. Logtown cem. my grand ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ daddy.

3. Elizabeth Osbourn b. July 1852 d. Dec. 16, 1901 bur. Logtown cem. m. Uncle ~~m~~ Ben Baxter.

D. S. Osbourn m. Carrie C. Crawford had 11 children

2. James C. Osbourn m. 1 wife Manerva 12 (1870) Jane Porter b. Oct. 5, 1858, yr. m. april 3, 1878 M. J. Osbourn d. aug. 3, 1892 Bur. Pearl River La.

J. C. Osbourn m. 2 wife Virginia {Jennie Seal}, Virginia were a Favre before m. had no children

J. C. Osbourn & M. J. Porter had 5 children. How much do the 1900 census cost I would like to have a copy, in writing on can't read the films with my eyes please let me know. And where to send for them also. Thanks. would like the Hancock co. only. Check the Ben Baxter & his daddy family Marian Baxter can be spell wrong. my eyes are gone so will have to close for now can't write much at at time

Good luck hope you can read all of this.

Nell Tate

(2) husband
Thomas L. Tate b. nov. 1905
Nellie Myrtis Osbourn b. Sept. 25, 1911
m. July 31, 1938 Presbyterian church Picayune, miss. no children
my first hus. was Howard Herbert Farrell b. March 11, 1909 m. Sept. 7, 1929 Picayune, miss. he died July 26, 1935 Bur. Picayune cemetery
Son by 1st. m. Charles Howard Farrell b. Sept 2, 1930 Charles was a Korean War yr. 1950 in U. S. a air force (no children by no (2) Hus.)

Nell daddy Andrew David Osbourn b. July (13) d. Sept. 23, 1954
1882
Mary Louise Favre b. Jan. 15, 1884 d. nov. 6, 1946 at n.o
m. Sept. 30, 1903 their children
1. Agnes Menerva? Osbourn b. Jan 10, 1905, Logtown, miss. d. Sept. 23, 1961 (2) hus. no children
2. Alice B. Osbourn b. Aug 31, 1907 d. Oct. 9, 1908 "
3. David C. Osbourn b. Aug. 16, 1909 d. Mar. 28, 1911 "
4. Nellie M. Osbourn b. Sep. 25, 1911, "
5. Ina Bell Osbourn b. Jan. 29, 1913, Living
6. Carrie Osbourn b. Sept. 10, 1915, d. July 18, 1922 "
7. Edward Lee Osbourn b. Oct. 2, 1920 living "
8. James Andrew Osbourn b. Jan. 4, 1924 living

Hope you can read, this our family

Picayune, Miss. 39466
June 28, 1979

Dear Mr. Carvin

I am so sorry that I haven't written before now. But my husband has been in the hospital for 11 days. He is much better now tho. My eyes are giving me so much trouble these days, can hardly see at times Mr. Carvin I would like very much to have a copy of the 1880 census record of Hancock co. I will be glad to pay you for them what ever they cost. I will send check back to you for them. I would also be glad to pay you for the cost of the 1900 census records also, but I can't see to write them if you would write them out for me the Hancock co. only, records. Please let me know if you would do this for me. Let me know the cost and will also send you check for same. By the way how much do I owe you for the Osbourn + some of the Favre family that you sent to me the other day. you didn't say what the cost was as you didn't write me any thing you just mail the information to me, I really do appreciate it all too, you being so kind to me. I hope you and your family are all well. I am getting along very well since my stroke have to take pills by the hand full all the

Time. They have change my mail box no. now so please send my mail to Nell O. Tate Rt 2 Box 22 Picayune, Miss. 39466. When I get any more information on my Osbourn family I will send it to. I would love to have a book on the Osbourn family, if you do ever make one let me know as I will buy one from you also. Will close my eyes are getting tired for now. Good lucky.

Youre Truly,
Nell O. Tate
Rt. 2 Box 22
Picayune, Miss. 39466

EMILY FARVE
WILLIAM RUDOLF

The engagement of Miss Emily Favre to Mr. William Rudolf of Pensacola, Florida and Liverpool, England is announced, the wedding to be at Home Place in September.

After the ceremony the couple will leave for Europe, where they will travel to Egypt, and will be absent until February next. While in England they will be entertained by Mr. Rudolf's relatives.

Pascagoula Democrat Star
Jul 22, 1898
Page 3, col. 6

The marriage of Miss Emily Favre to Mr. William Rudolf of Liverpool, England will take place on Sept. 20 at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Favre, "Home Place", Pearlington, Miss. Immediately after the ceremony the couple will be at Pensacola, Florida when in America but about half the time they will reside in England.

Aug. 26, 1898
Page 2, col. 6

Pearlington - Sept. 20. A notable wedding occurred here to-day at the residence of Capt. J.A. Favre, Rev. W. G. Forsythe officiating. The contracting parties were Mr. William Rudolf of Liverpool, England, and Miss Emily Favre of this place. The home place was tastefully decorated and presented a lovely appearance. Mr. and Mrs. Rudolf leave to-night for New York and then to England where they will remain for some time.

Sept. 23, 1898
Page 3, col. 6

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615 Pere Antoine Alley
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This is to Certify

That SIMON FABRE

Child of Carlos Fabre

and Angela Cristiana Ladenaire

Born in New Orleans

on the ---- day of ------ ----

was **Baptized**

on the 6th day of March 1782

According to the Rite of the Roman Catholic Church

by the Rev. Joseph Valdes

the Sponsors being { Pedro Mondio / Maria Piers Lafontin

A true extract from the Baptismal Register of this Church

Date 6/27/74 Vol. 1 Page 233 No. 637

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29 November 1977

EXTRACT FROM MARRIAGE REGISTER ST. LOUIS CATHEDRAL ARCHIVES

NO. 539

DON SIMON FAVRE

and WILTZ, with

DONA ZELESTE ROCHON

and FIEVRE

On this twenty-fifth day of March of this year of eighteen hundred and one: I, Fr. Antonio de Sedella, Religious Capuchin, Cure of this Holy Cathedral Church of the City of New Orleans, having proceeded with the ordinary formalities and a Dispensation obtained from the Illustrious Senor of th Diocese for the three Canonical Banns, with no impediment resulting, joined with the prayers, the veiling to take place at a more opportune time, according to the mandate of the Holy Mother Church, Don SIMON FAVRE, Interpreter for the Indies, for His Christian Majesty in this City, a native of the Post of Mobile, legitimate son of Don JUAN FAVRE and of Dona MARGARITA WILTZ, with Dona ZELESTE ROCHON, a native of the same Post of Mobile, legitimate daughter of Don AGUSTIN ROCHON and of Dona LUISA FIEVRE, and having given their mutual consent by word of mouth, were examined of the Christian Doctrine, confessed and received Communion, in the presence of these witnesses, Don EUGENIO CHASTAN an Don NARCISO BROUTIN, and in faith I have signed
/s/ Fr. Antonio de Sedella

This is a certified direct translation of the original entry of St. Louis Cathedral Archives.
Book of Marriages 2 (1784-1806) Page 136 Act 539

J. Verderame O.M.I.
Rev. Vincent Verderame, O.M.I.
Pastor

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5 July 1979

EXTRACT FROM BAPTISMAL REGISTER ST. LOUIS CATHEDRAL

NO. 389

JUAN FAVRE, WILTZ

ROCHON and FIEVRE

This twenty-second day of April of this year of eighteen hundred and four, I, Fr. Antonio de Sedella, Relivious Capuchin, Cure of this Parochial Church of St. Louis of New Orleans, baptized with the pure and Holy Oils, a boy who was born on the second of August of the year eighteen hundred and two, legitimate son of Don SIMON FAVRE, Interpreter with the Indians of this Capital, for his Catholic Majesty, a native of this City, and of Dona CELESTE ROCHON, a native of Mobile, and presently residing in this City. The paternal grandparents being Don JUAN FAVRE and Dona MARGARITA WILTZ, and the maternal grandparents Don AGUSTIN ROCHON and Dona LUISA FIEVRE, and having exercised the Holy Ceremonies with the prayers, have given him the name JUAN. And for godparents Don AGUSTIN ROCHON, uncle of the newly baptized represented by Don PEDRO CARABY and Dona MARIA LUISA CARABY, who have been advised of their spiritual relationship and in faith I have signed

/s/ Fr. Antonio de Sedella

This is a certified direct translation of the original entry of St. Louis Cathedral Baptismal Register.
Book of Baptisms 4 (1802-1806) Page 50b Act 389

Earl C. Woods per aff
Rev. Msgr. Earl C. Woods
Chancellor

Alice D. Forsyth
Alice D. Forsyth
Archivist

FABRE/FAVRE

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OBLATE FATHERS

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9 December 1977

EXTRACT FROM BAPTISMAL REGISTER ST. LOUIS CATHEDRAL ARCHIVES

NO. 250

ELISABETH ROSA

FABRE

and

CUNA, Indian

On this first day of April of this year of eighteen hundred and sixteen, I, the undersigned assistant Cure of this Church parish of St. Louis of New Orleans, baptized with the pure and Holy Oils, an adult Indian, born the tenth or twelfth of August of eighteen hundred and five, natural daughter of ALEXIS FABRE a native of Pearl River, and of CUNA, an Indian, and having exercised the Holy Ceremonies with the prayers, have given her the name ELISABETH. Standing as godparents LAURENTIO MONTINARY and ROSA FAISEAU, who have been advised of their spiritual relationship and in evidence I have signed

/s/ P. Koune

This is a certified direct translation of the original entry of St. Louis Cathedral Archives.
Book of Baptisms 8 (1815-1818) Page 43b Act 250

Rev. Vincent Verderame, O.M.I.
Pastor

Alice D. Forsyth
Archivist

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TELEPHONE 525-9585

9 December 1977

EXTRACT FROM BAPTISMAL REGISTER ST. LOUIS CATHEDRAL ARCHIVES

MARIE ROSE FABRE and WILTZ

In this year of seventeen hundred and sixty-nine and the nineteenth of August, I the undersigned Apostolic Capuchin Missionary priest, and Vicar of New Orleans, baptized MARIE ROSE born of the legitimate marriage of CLAUDE FAVRE and of MARGUERITE WILTZ. The godfather being ETIENNE ARLU and the godmother MARIE LA COSTE, and in faith I have signed the above day and year as given

/s/ F. Ferdinand

/s/ Arlu

This is a certified direct translation of the original entry of St. Louis Cathedral Archives.
Book of Baptisms VI (1767-1771) Page 56

J. Verderame O.M.I.
Rev. Vincent Verderame, O.M.I.
Pastor

Alice D. Forsyth
Alice D. Forsyth
Archivist

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29 November 1977

EXTRACT FROM BAPTISMAL REGISTER ST. LOUIS CATHEDRAL ARCHIVES

NO. 708

SIMON FAVRE

WILZ and

OSTEIN

Natural child

On this eighteenth day of February of this year of eighteen hundred: I, Fr. Antonio de Sedella, Religious Capuchin, Cure of this Holy Cathedral Church of New Orleans, baptized with the pure and Holy Oils, a small boy, who was born on the fifth of this present month, son of SIMON FAVRE, native of this City, and of ROSALIA OSTEIN, native of Tombemberg District of Mobile, and presently residents of this City. The paternal grandparents being JUAN FAVRE and MARGARITA WILZ, and the names of the maternal grandparents being unknown. And having exercised the Holy Ceremonies with the prayers, have given him the saintly name of SIMON. Standing for godparents being Don FRANCISCO FONTANILLA and Dona ZELESTE GRAVELLE who have been advised of their spiritual relationship, and in faith I have signed
/s/ Fr. Antonio de Sedella

This is a certified direct translation of the original entry of St. Louis Cathedral Archives.
Book of Baptisms 3 (7196-1802) Page 108 Act 708

J. Verdrame
Rev. Vincent Verdrame, O.M.I.
Pastor

Alice D. Forsyth
Alice D. Forsyth
Archivist

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active in their respective towns, se-
curing many members.

D. R

A. Cuevas

Many

for support.

Another link in the chain which connects the past with the present was broken Thursday morning when death claimed Simon Favre, aged eighty-six years. His illness extended over a period of only a few days and death came as the result of old age. The deceased was a veteran of both the Mexican and Civil Wars, and no braver man than he ever bore arms in the service of his country. He is survived by his wife and a number of children, all of whom are grown. The funeral took place from the family residence on Washington avenue road yester-

along the beach road including all property bordering on the east and west side of said front road, to the south line of Lots 42 and 43 of the Second Ward of the city of Waveland, said lots being assessed to Dr. Gustave Keith, including all property assessable for said purposes between dividing line of the city of Bay St. Louis and town of Waveland or the north line of said lots 2 and 3 to and including lots 42 and 43, Second Ward of the town of Waveland. The south line of said lots 42 and 43, being the dividing line of Dr. Gustave Keith's property and the property of subdivision known as Waveland Terrace.

That the final hearing of the dissolution and abandonment and the levy of the tax the pay expenses incurred as per list filed with said petition by the commissioners will be had by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock county at the court house of said county on the first Monday of July, 1917.

That unless proper objections are filed by the property owners within the district above described, as provided for by law, the district will be abolished and all property within the district will be taxed according to law to pay expenses incurred.

All objections must be filed on or before the second day of July, 1917, in writing with the clerk of the Board of Supervisors or orally before the Board, upon said objections a hearing will be had before said Board of Supervisors as required by law.

A. A. KERGOSIEN,
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

Bay St. Louis, Miss., June 6, 1917.

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BY RICK BOUTÉ—MR. FRANCIS KOLMAN, RETIRED.

Signs, signs everywhere signs: Brett Favre's tiny hometown, population 1,282, shows off its favorite son and Super Bowl quarterback.

Brett Favre's Home, Front and Center

Thanks to Family and Friends, Packers Quarterback Is Still the Life of 'The Kill'

By Richard Justice
Washington Post Staff Writer

KILN, Miss.

The three houses are secluded at the end of a twisting road lined with pine trees. There's a small river behind one of the homes, a marshy swamp near another. Trees are draped with Spanish moss, and the air is rich with the croaking, hissing sounds of the bayou.

"We're on the water, we don't have any neighbors, we like it kind of secluded," Irvin Favre is saying.

This is the place Green Bay Packers quarterback Brett Favre calls home. So do his mom and dad, a grandmother, an aunt and one of his brothers. It's here, amid the family cookouts and pick-up basketball games, that Favre began to develop the inner strength and determination that have helped him through a season checkered with triumph and difficulty.

His parents, Irvin and Bonita, have lived in the largest of the three homes for 31 years. They moved here the summer after graduating from the University of Southern Mississippi, when Bonita was pregnant with their first child and Irvin had accepted a $5,200-a-year teaching job.

"Bonita's father had planned this as a retirement home," Irvin Favre said. "It didn't work out and was just sitting here. We didn't have the money to move anywhere else."

They had gotten through college by driving home from Hattiesburg each weekend and working Fridays and Saturdays in her father's tavern. These days, they have the money to live almost anyplace, but have chosen to stay in the place they love.

"We didn't have everything living here," Bonita Favre said, "but we had a lot. It's a great place to raise children."

The Favres raised three boys and a girl here. Lately, Irvin and Bonita have been entertaining a steady stream of visitors and reporters who stop by for a look at the boyhood home of their son, Brett, the NFL's two-time MVP and a starting quarterback in Sunday's Super Bowl XXXI.

It's late morning and both still have coffee mugs in their hands. Irvin is barrel-chested and gruff, a former high school football coach who still looks the part. Bonita is petite, friendly, welcoming.

At Brett's insistence, they've given up their teaching jobs to help handle his business and charitable affairs. Their once modest home has been remodeled, and there's a new Lexus parked in the driveway.

Yet in this community of 1,282, where everyone knows almost everyone else, their home is still the place where friends and family gather to celebrate holidays and to watch Packers games on television.

"Sometimes 15 or 20 will show up," Bonita Favre said. "Sometimes more—family, friends, you name it."

She laughs as she recalls the time two seasons ago when two strangers from Wisconsin showed up during a game, said they were big fans and could they just say hello. They ended up watching the game and eating red beans and rice.

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In the Super Bowl, Favre Is Playing for The Kiln

FAVRE, From B1

"It's always been that way," she said. "People just show up. That's the way we want it."

This day, Irvin is wearing a Packers sweatshirt, shorts and sandals. He has tucked a portable telephone into his pocket and shows a reporter around the homestead in between taking calls for people either seeking Super Bowl tickets or offering them.

With the game being played an hour down Interstate 10 in New Orleans, the Favres are swamped with requests for tickets, interviews and favors. Yet they remain open and friendly, proud that a son of the Mississippi Gulf Coast has made it to the big game.

A Recent Passing

Frank Hitt didn't live to see the Packers play in the Super Bowl. A longtime family friend of the Favres, he died last month, clutching a rosary and praying for Green Bay to keep it going.

His hospital room was a Packers shrine, with green and gold flowers, balloons, cheeseheads and the rest. He left behind a modest home with one room solely devoted to Brett Favre and the Packers.

"Brett autographed a jersey for him a few weeks ago," Bonita Favre said. "He really loved Brett and the Packers. I told his wife, Janet, 'Now he's going to have the best seat in the house. You know they'll make it now because he's not going to leave God alone until they get there.' "

Frank Hitt had plenty of company around here, where the clusters of convenience stores and restaurants and taverns all seem to be offering public congratulations to Brett Favre or planning some sort of Super Bowl celebration.

From Rooster's Restaurant to Dolly's Quick Stop to the Hancock Bank, there are Packers colors and Packers signs and messages of encouragement for their hometown hero. Kiln schools will be flying Packers flags this week, and Friday is "Brett Favre Day," with students making their own cheeseheads and decking the halls in green and gold. The elementary school will be serving green and gold jello.

"The students are doing the work," schools superintendent Terry Randolph said. "There'll be some imaginative stuff."

And Randolph, like a lot of others, is bursting with pride.

"I just couldn't imagine this happening here," Randolph said. "We've watched Brett grow up. I knew he was a good athlete, but I could never imagine that he'd make it to the NFL like this."

Brett Favre's home town is really five or six home towns. He went to high school in Kiln, but grew up in the community of Pass Christian, a couple of miles away. He could drive a few miles and be in Fenton or Waveland or Bay St. Louis. He was never more than 12 miles from the Gulf of Mexico.

A one-time logging boomtown that gained a reputation for the quality of its moonshine during Prohibition, Kiln is named for the kilns

Brett Favre's dad, Irvin, and mom, Bonita, leave no doubt as to their team allegiance.

that once produced charcoal. It's pronounced "Kill" and natives refer to it as "The Kill."

It's not a place with a town square. It's one main street dotted with stores and small businesses. Homes are hidden on small side streets amid the pine trees.

Brett Favre grew up playing sports, in part, because there wasn't a lot else to do. Once he reached high school, he could drive to a movie theater in Bay St. Louis, but given the time that his football, basketball and baseball careers took, there wasn't much other than sports in his life.

"To tell you the truth, there's not much else besides sports in a place like this," Bonita Favre said. "For years, we had a ritual during the school year. We had football on Monday, booster club on Tuesday, Catholic education classes on Wednesday, junior high football on Thursday, high school football on Friday and pee-wee football on Saturday."

A family friend, John Ellis, says admiringly: "They drove those kids from one side of town to the other to get them to games. There'd be times when Irv would take one kid to one game and Bonita would take another to a different game."

Irvin Favre was the high school football coach, but he also washed the uniforms and tended the field. "He had the prettiest field in the state," Bonita said. "Boy, did he baby that field."

From her house, Bonita Favre points toward the road leading into town.

"All three of the boys were quarterbacks and pitchers," she said. "Irvin was their high school coach. Sometimes you'd hear people say, 'Well, they play quarterback because their dad is coach.' Anyone who thought that should have been out here and seen them running sprints up and down that road. They should have seen them going sit-ups and throwing the ball until it was dark. Brett made it because he's as determined as any person you'll ever meet. If he sets his mind to something, you'd better get out of his way."

Now there's Lil Rays, where tourists stop by in the summer hoping to catch a glimpse of Brett ordering his favorite po' boy. There's the Packers Sports Lounge, where he sometimes shows up for karaoke on Friday night. There's Malkin's Pointe Lounge, which was known as Benny French's Tavern when his grandfather owned it.

There's the Broke Spoke, a biker bar decorated with Confederate flags and Packers pennants. It has a 35-inch television at each end of the bar, and bartender Steve Haas said he has just two house rules: no fighting inside and no one changes channels when the Packers are playing.

Haas is planning a Super Bowl feast of crawfish, jambalaya and "anything we run over between now and then." He recently received a case of brat from Wisconsin and will even throw some of them on the grill.

To these people, Brett Favre is not the quarterback of the Green Bay Packers, as much as he is family, the son of Irvin and Bonita Favre, a former quarterback of the Hancock High Hawks.

"It's special because there's closeness in a community like this," Randolph said. "We're a little rural area and everyone knows everyone. Brett's family is very close."

Exceeding Expectations

No one could have predicted stardom for Brett Favre. He had a modestly successful high school career, but he was a pure passer at a time when running quarterbacks were the rage. Even his high school coach, his dad, believed in passing as a last resort.

Louisiana State, Alabama and Mississippi State all said thanks, but no thanks. Favre landed at Southern Mississippi only after the school had been rejected by several of its top choices. He was switched from defensive back to quarterback on the first day of practice, and Irvin Favre remembers an early conversation with his son.

"Brett, all I ever want you to do is make the traveling squad," he recalls telling his son.

Brett Favre ended up as a four-year starter at Southern Miss, leading the team to 29 victories and passing for 8,000 yards. Then, during the summer before his senior season, as Southern Miss was beginning its "Favre for Heisman" campaign, he was almost killed when he lost control of his car and crashed near the family home.

Irvin Favre's eyes fill with tears as he discusses the days after the crash. A 30-inch section of Brett's small intestine had to be removed and doctors warned that he might miss the entire season.

Six weeks later, Favre came off the bench to lead a victory over Alabama, and his senior season had resumed.

The Atlanta Falcons drafted him in the second round of the 1991 draft. He was the third quarterback taken, behind Dan McGwire and Todd Marinovich, but his one season in Atlanta was the most unhappy one of his life.

Not only was he behind Chris Miller and Billy Joe Tolliver on the depth chart, he seemingly had no hope in moving up. Falcons Coach Jerry Glanville had no qualms about trading him to Green Bay after the season.

Favre started the 1992 season on the bench behind Don Majkowski, but in Game 3, he replaced an injured Majkowski and led the Packers to a comeback victory over the Cincinnati Bengals. Far from Atlanta and Kiln, Favre ended that season by being named to the Pro Bowl. It was the start of a ride that has taken him to the Super Bowl.

A Troubling Year

This has been a difficult year for Brett Favre away from the football. He began this season by undergoing treatment for an addiction to pain-killers. He has denied having a drinking problem, but as part of the NFL's substance-abuse program, he's prevented from drinking for two years.

"We were concerned about it," Bonita Favre said, "but remember what Brett said. He said, 'I'm going to get it taken care of, then I'm going to the Super Bowl.' When Brett says something like that, he's probably going to do it."

In August, older brother Scott was involved in an auto accident that killed a close family friend. Scott Favre has been charged with a felony count of driving under the influence; the case has not come to trial. A month later, younger sister Brandi, a former Miss Teen Mississippi, was charged as an accessory in a drive-by shooting at a motel in nearby Slidell, La. No one was injured, but she is serving a year's probation.

Still, Brett Favre has taken care of business.

"Brett's determination from all the things he's had go wrong in his family and in his own health is something," Irvin Favre said. "Nothing surprises me. When he sets his own mind to it. . . ."

Irvin and Bonita Favre don't see their son as much as they once did. Irvin attends several games a season, but with practice and meetings and all, they're not together that much.

Even this offseason, there'll be less time since Brett will live in Hattiesburg to allow his wife to finish her degree at Southern Mississippi. Irvin Favre shakes his head as he reflects on how quickly the world is spinning. Even in those times when Brett is home, it's not like it used to be.

"He'll tell me, 'Come on, Dad, I've got to throw a few passes,' " Irvin Favre said. "But I can't catch him anymore. He just throws it too hard."

Brett Favre and the Packers are working on a new contract that will pay him around $5 million a season. His contract with Nike is being reworked. And if Brett plays well in the Super Bowl, there will be dozens of other opportunities.

"Once you leave the household, you form your own life," Irvin Favre said. ". . . But I'll tell you, we're tickled to death for him."

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A sad visit to Scranton:

During Christmas week Mr. Geiger, of the Portevent-Farve Mills, Pearlington, and his daughter, Mrs. A. C. Ray, with Mr. Edgar Ray of the same place, and Mr. George Ray of Maxton North Carolina, brothers of the late A. C. Ray, who died here of the prevailing fever during the recent epidemic, were the guests of Mrs. J. C. Laurendine, on Laurel Street. They visited the Pascagoula Cemetery where their loved one reposes and met during their stay, several of the kind sympathetic families who assisted the Laurendine family in nursing and caring for their dear husband and brother, dependent on strangers entirely for these last attentions.

The last visit to the grave was one of the saddest the writer has ever witnessed and their choking sobs were enough to melt the hardest heart.

They have concluded to let him remain in his present resting place. They are so well pleased with it and its proximity to the Gulf and will in a short time, erect a very tasteful monument to the heroic man who died so bravely at his post of duty.

The bereaved relatives were fond and earnest in their thanks to all who extended kindness and sympathy especially Rev. L. N. Brock and C. J. Broders and kind Father Faget, who ministered so faithfully to him and prayed so earnestly for his recovery; also to his faithful physicians Drs. Murray, Teuten and Kell, also his kind Masonic brothers and lastly the Laurendine family who were indefatigable in their care and kindness. Scranton, Miss.

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Leonard Lemy Farve Sr.

■ Leonard Lemy Farve Sr., 68, of Gretna, La., died Saturday, June 22, 1996, in Gretna, La.

Mr. Farve was a native of Bay St. Louis and a Catholic.

He was preceded in death by a son, Gary Leonard Farve; a daughter, Mary Ann Farve; his parents, Lemuel Leonard and Mary Meleta Barber Farve; his step-mother, Alberta Farve; three brothers, Andrew Nelson, Edward Nelson and Ola Nelson; three sisters, Frances LaFontaine, Katie Penton and Victoria Nelson.

Survivors include his wife, Angelina Trosclair Farve of Gretna; a son, Leonard Farve Jr. of Marrero, La.; three daughters, Tisa Brandon of Marrero, Darlene Farve of Westwego, La., and Betty Ruth Farve of Baton Rouge; six brothers, Leroy Farve, Hilton Farve and Fred Farve, all of Marrero, Warren Farve of Avondale, La., Gerald Farve of Bay St. Louis and James Nelson of Pass Christian; five sisters, Frieda Poyadou and Geraldine Lagmann, both of Slidell, Carol Liendecker of Baton Rouge, Carrie LaFontaine of Gulfport and Samantha Bergeron of Bay St. Louis; and six grandchildren.

Visitation will be after 7 tonight at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis with recitation of the rosary at 8. A funeral procession will leave the funeral home at 10:45 Wednesday for an 11 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis. Burial will follow at St. Mary Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

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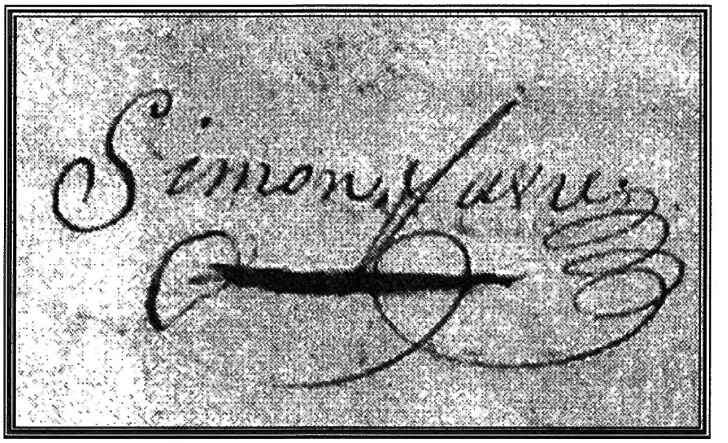
The June luncheon meeting will be held on Thursday, June 17, 2010, at noon at the Kate Lobrano House. Guest speaker will be Tim Kellar, Chancery Clerk of Hancock County. ***Reservations are required*** and may be made by calling 467-4090. Please call ***by noon on Wednesday, June 16,*** to make your reservation, to help us plan seating which is limited to forty-five people, and to apprise us of the number for whom to prepare. The price of the lunch is $10.00.

ANNUAL CEMETERY TOUR

Even though October is still several months away, it's not too early to begin thinking about and planning the Hancock County Historical Society Annual Cemetery Tour. It will be held on Halloween night, Sunday, **October 31, 2010**, at Cedar Rest Cemetery on Second Street. We will need volunteers to help prepare the cemetery for the tour (mark the path, etc.), to portray citizens buried there, to act as guides, and to serve at the Lobrano House. **(PLEASE NOTE THAT LAST MONTH'S *HISTORIAN* GAVE AN INCORRECT DATE.)**



The signature of Simon Favre as it appears on the document for the exchange of slaves from him to Rebecca Austin dated May 24, 1801

Lawrence County Archives—Simon Favre

By
Russell Guerin

Tales, legends, and anecdotes of significant historical figures abound in American history, and accounts of Simon Favre, the celebrated interpreter to the Choctaws for the French, British, Spanish, and the Americans, are also abundant. Because information about early Hancock County history has been hard to come by, primarily as a result of the burning of the courthouse at Gainesville in 1853, we glean information from many sources and are pleased to find written, documented history.

After several years of arduous research into the history of Hancock County's most interesting pioneer by my confederate, Dr. Marco Giardino, a bit of luck dropped a cache of papers into my lap. They came from a completely unsuspected source—Lawrence County, MS. It is evident that they are copies borrowed from New Orleans and Hancock County, sometimes running together even though written years apart. The mystery is why were they housed there?

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I had learned of these papers during a casual conversation with Jerry Heitzman, the prime researcher of Favre genealogy to date. However, before I ventured to Monticello, the county seat of Lawrence County, I called to ascertain that there was such a file. A most helpful lady checked and assured me that it was so, and after a little conversation, she generously offered to mail me copies. The papers are welcome additions to the total picture of Simon Favre, but they also introduce questions with no evident answers.

About the same time, Dr. Giardino and I became aware of *The Louisiana Slave Database, 1719—1820*, by Dr. Gwendolyn Midlo Hall. Her in-depth study makes it possible to explain and understand some of the revelations of the Lawrence County papers. The Louisiana records of sales of slaves by Simon Favre during later life and of those sold by his estate, apparently in slave auctions, prove invaluable as there was no previous record of such sales.

The major addition to the knowledge of Simon Favre comes in the inclusion of an unknown plantation, the name of which is illegible but appears to be "Storpem," and a list of fifty-seven slaves not mentioned in his will. It may be that he had just bought the plantation and slaves shortly before he died as it is not likely that he would have ignored values like these in making his will.

The Will

Certainly among the most important documents in the Lawrence County collection is the will

RELATED DOCUMENTS

The more important Lawrence County documents include the following:

1. English translations of the will, dated May 18, 1812.
2. A second translation of the will with cover memo by Judge James Pitot, dated at New Orleans July 20, 1813.
3. The French will
4. A marriage certificate, signed by Father Antonio Sedella in New Orleans
5. A copy of records from Hancock County, certified by Roderick Seal, dated December 30, 1844, including an inventory of personal property.
6. An appraisers' report dated June 15, 1814, referred to as "Second Inventory," which included lands.

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Aug. 2, 1802—first child born to Simon and Celeste
April 1812—likely purchase of plantation
May 18, 1812—Simon's will
July 3, 1813—death of Simon Favre
June 15, 1814—inventory of personal property
Oct. 5, 1814—second inventory
c. 1820—marriage of the Widow Favre to Isaac Graves
Nov. 1827—final decree of the estate

of Simon Favre in the form of copies of the original French and two English translations. While a copy of the will was known before, these documents appear in some ways to be more precise.

The lands listed in the will total 5600 arpents. [An arpent is an old French unit of land area equal to about 0.85 of an acre.] Included were lands given to him by the Indians on the river Tombechbee (Tombigbee). Among these were a total of 2400 arpents from his father, who had obtained 1600 through an English grant, 1200 from the English government, 800 from the Spanish government, and 1200 more that he had apparently bought himself.

Noteworthy about the will is the absence of a list and valuation of the decedent's slaves. Inclusion is customary for wills of the period for reasons that their value normally exceeds other assets. For this reason, they often are listed first, before cattle, land, and other valuables.

After his death, an appraisal for his estate listed fifty-seven slaves valued at $14,695, a very substantial asset not to have been mentioned in the will. The question arises: Why were the slaves not included in the will?

Inventory and Appraisement of Assets

It seems clear that Favre died in Hancock County, but documents essential to the distribution of his estate had been filed in New Orleans, as well as in his home state, probably with his attorney, Rutilius Pray of Pearlington, MS.

New information revealed in the Lawrence County papers is to be found primarily in the documents dated June 15 and October 5, 1814, the two inventories of personal property. The first is the summary of the appraisement of the inventory, and for the first time, there is an inclusion of slaves as having been owned by Simon Favre. It is signed by Joseph Chalon, Mathurin Babin, John Williams, and Noel Jourdan, all important figures in Hancock County.

Called the "Inventory of Personal Property," it begins with a list by name and age of the fifty-seven slaves. Next came the cattle, the horses, saddles, a thirty-ton schooner, etc., for a grand total of the personal estate of $20,326.

Mention is made that the real estate had been eliminated from the appraisal "because the greater part of it...is at a great distance from this place" and that the appraisers have no knowledge of the worth of the parcels. Possibly these parcels could refer to the lands in and near Mobile. In addition the sale of the property could not be made without an order from the legislature.

The 9th Parcel—a Plantation New to Favre History

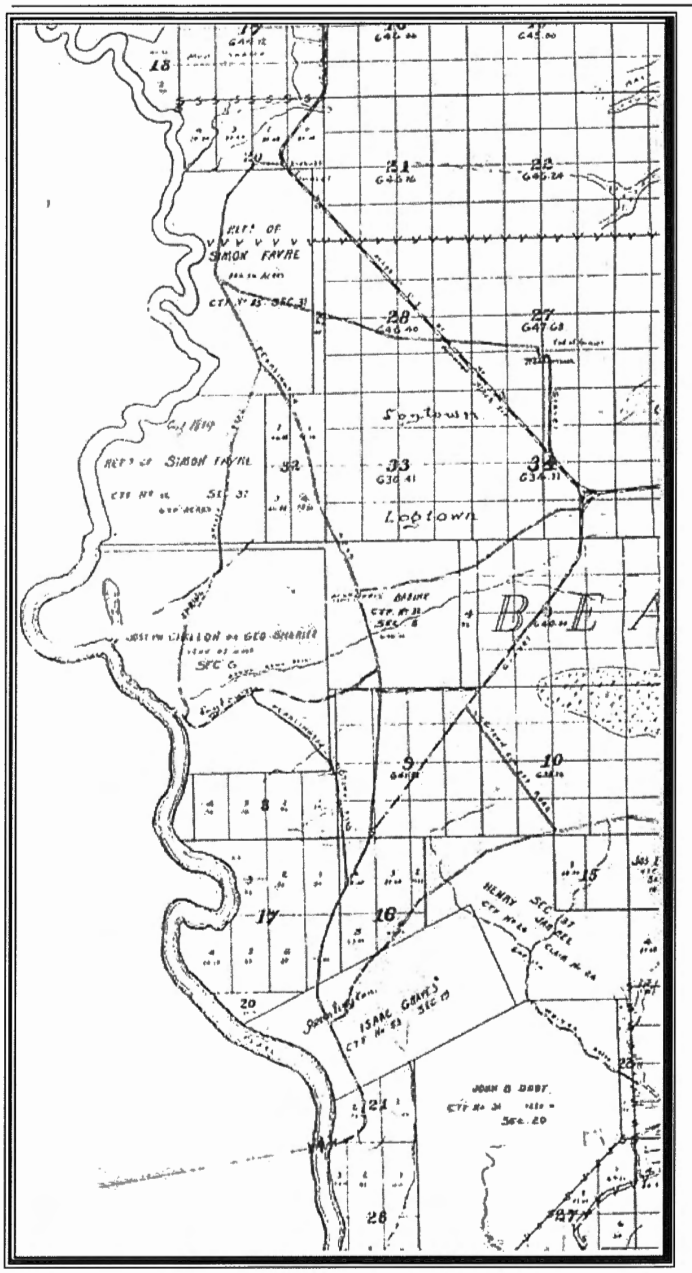
The next document of importance is the "Second Inventory," dated October 5, 1814. It was completed at the Pearlington plantation of Celeste Rochon, widow of Simon Favre, and appointed the same appraisers as above, adding one, Louis Geuses [Gause?]. Various assets were listed, beginning with "2 pair of Broken Oxen" at $60 and continuing through pots and kitchen furniture at $10. Following these were then listed lands, to which a 9th parcel was added to the previously known pieces. The lands ranged from 800 to 1200 arpents and were valued from $200 to $300 each with the exception of the last, the 9th, measuring 800 arpents. With its improvements it was valued at $500. As stated above, the name of the latter parcel is illegible, but appears to be "Storepem."

The total number of arpents was 6,200, and the total value was listed at $2,410. This "Second Inventory" was signed by Mathurin Babin and Noel Jourdan, who had signed the first "Inventory of Personal Property," and J. Baptiste Daube.

Jourdan acknowledged a mistake in the first appraisement in that it included 450 head of cattle, whereas it should have been 225 because the other 225 belonged to the children.

The location of the plantation referred to in the estate inventory as the 9th parcel has not been established with certainty, but it might also have been known as Hickory Camp Creek, just down the Pearl River from Napoleon. Whatever its name, it could be that it was purchased just before Favre wrote his will (May 18, 1812) and conceivably transfer had not been finalized. When he died, there may still have been no completed deed.

United States Public Land No. 322 shows "Hickory Camp Creek" as having been originally settled in April 1812 with the original and present claimant (as of November 1819) said to be John Bte. Favre. The date of settlement was within one month of Favre's



This map with the Pearl River on the left shows two tracts of land owned by Simon Favre. The upper parcel, located downriver from Napoleon, is probably the one referred to in the "Second Inventory" as the "9th Parcel."

writing of his will. Simon's oldest son, named Jean Baptiste, would have been only age ten at the time, so it may have been Simon's brother, Baptiste Favre, who took possession perhaps as a family representative. It is possible that this in some way ties in with the October 24 sale.

Later, in the 1829 Tax Rolls of Hancock County, Jean Baptiste Favre is still carried as owner in referring to a parcel of 640 acres as "Hickory Camp." This is possibly the 640 acre tract shown in later maps as being owned by "representatives" of Simon Favre. It is located just south (down river) from Napoleon. [Note the map on p. 4.]

Following a signature of Noel Jourdan on a document dated July 5, 1814, there is another document with an uncertain date. Mentioning only "the 5th of the present month," it is a petition by the much honored Rutilius Pray, attorney for the widow Favre, asking the court of Hancock County to allow the sale of some assets to include a schooner, several slaves, 160 cows, and 30 mares and young horses. The petition continued, suggesting that the judge "will please to order the advertisement of the above mentioned articles...." It is interesting to note that Celeste did not sell all that she had asked to sell. In point of fact, the slave Ben (age 50) was sold for $405 separately from his family.

Order to Pay Legacy—1824

From this point, the documents skip from 1814 to ten years later. Following the October 1814 document, papers are run together continuously as though part of one document. The next is an "Order to pay legacy," dated

August 14, 1824. It is at this point that it becomes apparent that the above actions were being reviewed for a civil action with copied documents involving a younger Simon Favre, son of Rebecca Austin, with whom Favre had a relationship before his marriage to Celeste Rochon.

The later document is a restatement of that part of Favre's will which left to his son $1500 "to be paid out of the proceeds of the estate...at such time as he shall arrive at the age of majority" and that "he has arrived at the age aforementioned." On the date above the younger Simon had come of age and swore that he had not received any part of the amount promised.

At a time unknown, the widow Favre had married Isaac Graves. Subsequently, at the February 1825 session of the court, on a motion by Rutilius Pray for Isaac Graves and his wife Celeste Favre, the above decree was set aside. The reason, in part, was that the estate's costs had not been settled according to Isaac and Celeste Graves. In addition there was a complication introduced in that young Simon had assigned his benefits to one Jesse Depew, a circumstance which had not been disclosed to Celeste. She and Graves, therefore, filed suit against Depew. At this point, they also filed for a partition of real estate consisting of a parcel at the lower end of Pearlington, measuring forty by forty arpents, "agreeable to a plan made by Elihu Carver. This, together with the next petition, may have been a maneuver to separate lands that might have been attached to Simon Austin or his assigns.

On July 12, 1826, Graves made a "petition for dower." This was a request that the "tract of land at Pearlington" be considered separate from the lands belonging to the other heirs. On May 2, 1826, Isaac and Celeste signed a statement reading, "The accounts of the testamentary executors of Simon Favre will be reported to the next term of the County and Probate Court of the County of Hancock."

Credits and Debits—1826

It was then that a final statement of the executors of the estate of Simon Favre was presented by Rutilius Pray. Submitted to the court for its October 1826 term, it was headed "Exposition" and divided into parts A, B, and C.

Part A was a valuation of what was perceived to be the worth or assets including slaves, cattle, horses, a schooner, and lands. The total comes to $20,575.

Next came what appears to have been July 25, 1814, "sales" of some of the same items, but also an October 24 sale for $1000 of "Plantation Storepem." [Editor's note: the name is still uncertain.] There is nothing to indicate who the buyer was.

The total sales including cattle, horses, slaves, and the plantation came to $26,956, the largest being that of slaves, amounting to $21,870.

Part B of the Exposition lists substantial debts. This also is at variance with the will, which appears to treat debts lightly. In contrast, the Exposition is more explicit, listing nine for a total of $32,885.991/4. The largest was $15,932, perhaps final payment for slaves.

One item that stands out in the above figures is that the Mississippi estimate, made by landed neighbors and ranking officials, was far lower than the actual sale value. This is even more remarkable when considering that the estimate was for fifty-six slaves, whereas the sale was far fewer. It is evident that the market in New Orleans was stronger than that of Hancock County and that an auction commanded higher prices than individual sales. The executors were wise to take to market in New Orleans what the widow Favre called "articles."

Part C again recites the receipts from sales, adding $1,500 for four hundred arpents in Mobile and lesser amounts for two small sites, and then claims disbursements of the $32,885.991/4.

Estate Solvent

On balance, the estate appears to have been solvent. The total amount of the debt is shown to have been disbursed in an 1826 filing with the court. This is still confusing because the Exposition does not show receipts and payout in balance. The court stated that the commissioners had accounted for land totaling 2,840 acres and considered that this was to be available for payment of shortfall. In fact, Pray seems to have made a formal petition to that effect.

Pray charged a fee of eight percent on the inventory, equal to $1,646, inventory being equal to appraisement of $20,575.

Final Decree—1827

In the November court

term of 1827, another decree was made. In stating "the prayer of the petitioner is granted," it also recited "sale has been made of all the remaining lands belonging to the said estate." An accounting shows that four parcels were sold as follows: a tract of 600 arpents on the West Pearl in Louisiana bought by Benjamin Singlelary for $600; a tract of 640 acres on the east bank of the Pearl at a place called the "Waist House"; a tract of 958 acres on the East Pearl, called Favre's Old Place; a tract of 640 acres on the Pearl River at Walkaya Bluff. The last three tracts were bought by Isaac Graves for a total of $1,740. Noel Jourdan was acting as auctioneer.

A Concluding Observation: Favre and New Orleans

In the listing of related documents on page 2 of this article, there is mention of a memo written by James Pitot, judge in New Orleans. It is treated here separately from other information because, unlike factual data, it invites some speculation. In particular, it suggests Favre's relationship to New Orleans may have been more than as a resident of a neighboring state. It appears that—acting as representatives of Simon Favre—Pierre Caraby and Don Martin Pellerin, "both residents of the Parish of New Orleans," presented a will to Judge Pitot. A paper with the will read, "I declare that this packet containing my testament and last will that I deposit into the hands of [illegible] Narcise Broutin, my friend, recommending to him to render it public as soon as decease takes place. New Orleans, May 18, 1812. Simon Favre."

There is no doubt that Favre was a resident of Mississippi for many years, spending a career as a translator to the Choctaws and that he made his home in Hancock County probably at least from the time of his marriage to Celeste. However, so much of his life and so many of his important events having been tied to New Orleans, one must wonder whether he wanted to be considered a New Orleans resident.

In addition, several other items are worth consideration:

——His illegitimate son, Simon—said to have been born of Rosalia Ostein (Rebecca Austin) on February 5, 1800—was baptized in New Orleans at St. Louis Cathedral on February 18, 1800. While Father Antonio Sedella (better known as Pere Antoine) listed her as a native of Mobile, he wrote that Favre was "a native of this city."

——In the Cathedral record of Favre's marriage to Celeste dated March 25, 1801, and officiated by Sedella, Favre was said to be a resident of Mobile.

——Favre also named Fergus and Armand Duplantier, two prominent Louisianans, in his will as curator for his children and as executor of the estate. (Later, Celeste and Isaac Graves were successful in having them removed from any official capacity because they were residents of Louisiana and therefore said to be unable to serve in Mississippi.)

——He dealt in the New Orleans slave market, including sales to the notary, Narcisse Broutin, his "friend," to whom the above described packet was entrusted.

——His obituary was published by a New Orleans French/English newspaper on July 20, 1813, shortly after his death on July 3, although it lists Mobile under "notes."

While it must be considered that Hancock County was not as much a center for business and legal activity as New Orleans, there may have been other reasons for Favre's preferences such as the politics of the time. If nothing more, Favre's associations with the prominent officials and property owners of Louisiana point to his status as someone accepted as a person of high rank.

For more information on this topic and other Hancock County history, visit Russell Guerin's blog "A Creole in Mississippi" at www.russguerin.com.

Lunch at the Toulme-Phillips House

Last month's luncheon at the home of Society member Dot Phillips was a splendid success. She graciously opened her home to the Historical Society for its monthly meeting.

The first thing which caught the attention of guests as they arrived was the panoramic view of the Bay of St. Louis from the front porch of the home. As they entered the central entrance hall, they were greeted by Dot and Phillips family members who invited guests to wander through the house on impromptu tours or offered to give more guided tours themselves.

The front section of the house is composed of the central hallway with two rooms on each side. The two on the left are bedrooms, and of the two on the right, the front one is the formal dining

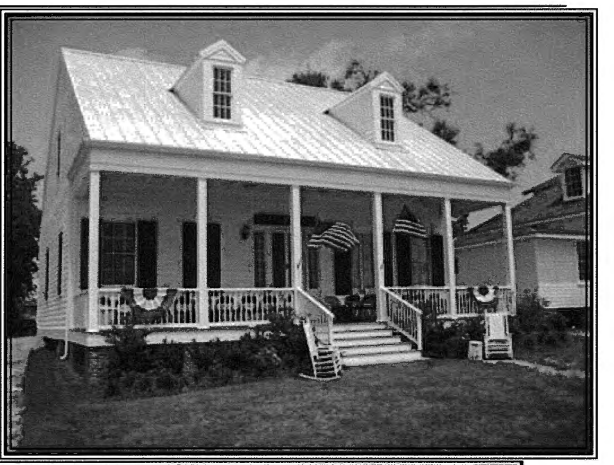
room, and the second one is the kitchen.

The back of the hallway opens into a comfortable living room with large windows at the back. A spacious, L-shaped room with numerous windows at the back of the house offers additional sleeping and common areas.

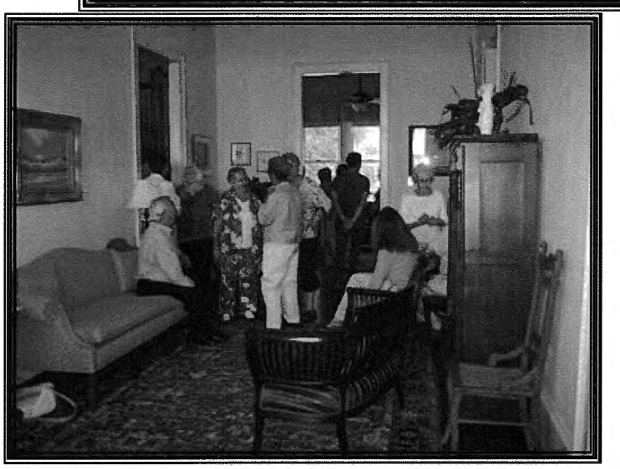
Restored antiques, which have been passed down through many generations and were damaged by Hurricane Katrina, furnish the home.

The Historical Society wishes to thank Dot Phillips and her family for inviting us into her home.

Lunch was served buffet style and catered by Michelle Nichols of Dinner-n-Things. As always, it was delicious!

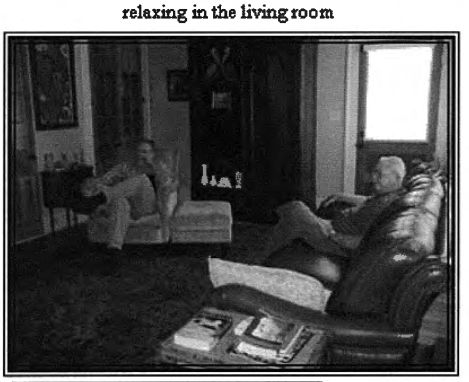


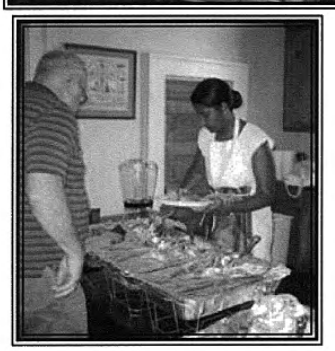
R—the restored home of Dot Phillips



Dot Phillips, in white slacks, welcoming guests to her home

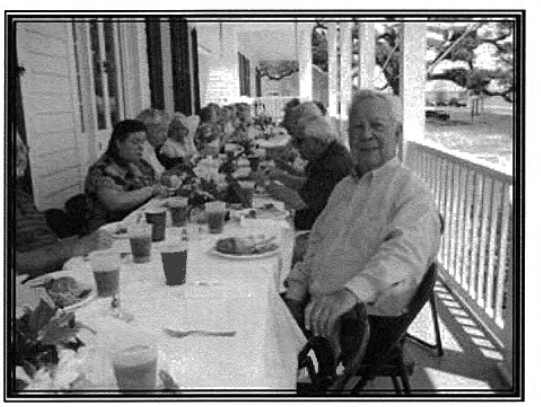
Luncheon guests relaxing in the living room



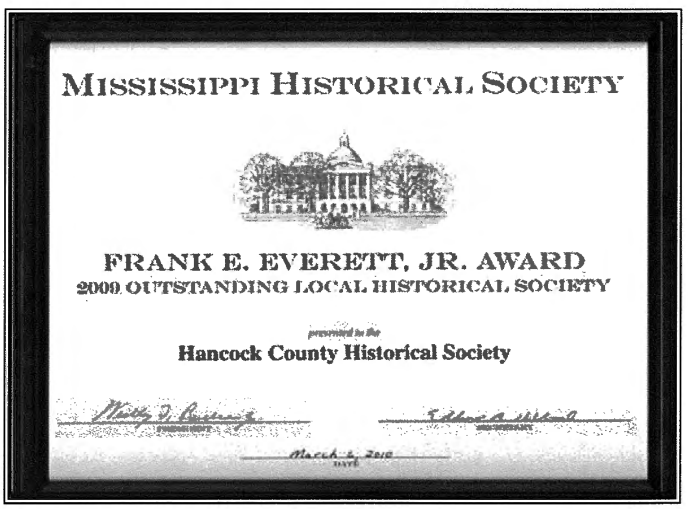


L.—Caterer Michelle Nichols serving lunch to Society member, Ames Kergosien

R.—Executive Director Charles Gray and guests enjoying lunch on the front porch



Betty Krieger, 2nd Vice President, and Carol Wasielewski, Secretary, chatting before lunch is served.



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